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Dana Point, California— November 2025 — Dana Wharf Whale Watching is proud to announce our latest collaboration with the world-renowned marine artist, Wyland, whose original artwork now adorns the hull of our Ocean Adventures catamaran.

Dana Wharf has enjoyed a long-standing relationship with Wyland, a collaboration that began over 15 years ago with the establishment of the Wyland Whale Watching Art Contest. This annual contest runs every Saturday from January 24th to April 25th and focuses on the incredible marine life we encounter off our shores.

Wyland's original artwork has been commissioned for both Dana Wharf's catamarans and the boats of its sister company, Oceanside Adventures. This November, the new Wyland masterpiece for the *Ocean Adventures* was unveiled. The artwork was applied to the vessel's hull during its dry dock at the Dana Point Shipyard before the boat was relaunched for public viewing.

The artwork beautifully depicts a pod of Humpback Whales swimming alongside Bottlenose Dolphins—a sight our customers frequently enjoy, especially during the current Humpback Whale season. Donna Kalez stated, "The timing seemed perfect," noting that the installation was completed ahead of the Wyland Foundation Fundraiser on November 15th.

To learn more information about the Wyland fundraiser hosted at the Grey Matter studio in San Clemente, please visit the event page: https://wylandfoundation.org/event/2025-wyland-gala/.

Wyland shared his thoughts on the project and his relationship with Dana Wharf:

"I've always believed the best way to inspire people to protect the ocean is to surround them with its beauty. That's why working with Dana Wharf is so meaningful to me—we share that same passion for bringing people closer to the sea. The whales I painted for the *Ocean Adventures* vessel, represents family, connection, and the promise that what we love, we protect."

He added, "Every collaboration with Dana Wharf feels like coming home. We've spent years side by side sharing the magic of whales and the ocean, and I can't think of a better canvas than the \*Ocean Adventures\* itself. These whale images are deeply personal—each one a reminder that when art lives on the water, it can move hearts the same way the ocean moves the tide."

## View the Art & Go Whale Watching

Dana Wharf invites the community to view the artwork on the boat, which is visible from the railing above Dock 6 at 34675 Golden Lantern, Dana Point, CA 92629. You can see the art when the boat is docked or as it departs daily at 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM, and 2:30 PM.

For an even more amazing experience, we highly recommend joining us for a whale watching excursion! Now is the perfect time to experience this incredible marine life. The Hansen family proudly continues Dana Wharf's tradition of offering daily whale watching trips since opening in Dana Point Harbor in 1971. For more information, visit danawharf.com. Please use these videos and pictures; https://fb.watch/Db7K8LMC62/

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